

In the Claims:

Please cancel claim 6 without prejudice and amend claims 1-3, 5 and 8 as follows :

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 1. (amended) A boot for a ski or in-line roller skate wherein the boot is in substantial part flexible, having a flexible upper (3), and in substantial part rigid in that the sole of which has a rigid part in the rear region of the boot, over about one half of the length of the sole,

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wherein [and] the rest of the sole of which is flexible so as to allow the foot to flex during walking, and

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wherein the rigid part of the sole [is designed so as to form] comprises an interface between the [leg] boot and a binding of a ski or in-line roller skate.

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 2. (amended) The ski boot as claimed in claim 1, wherein the rigid part (1) of the sole [is designed so as to form an interface] interfaces between the [leg] boot and a ski binding having automatic release.

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 3. (amended) The boot as claimed in claim 1, wherein [the upper comprises] a rigid part (4 ;5) [which] encloses the heel and is rigidly secured to the rigid part (1) of the sole.

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 5. (amended) The boot as claimed in claim 3, wherein the rigid part (5) of the upper has at least one cutout (7, 14), which engages a ski or skate binding.

Sub 8
 8. (amended) The boot as claimed in claim 1, wherein the rigid part (1) of the sole [is] has a profiled part (6, 7 ; 6, 8 ; 11) of standard length[, intended to engage with] which engages a ski or skate binding irrespective of the boot size.